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## The Christmas Story

AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world would be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee . . . unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem . . . to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife . . .

And so it was, that while they were there . . . she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country, shepherds abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone 'round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy . . .

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

"And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, "Let us go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us."

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

There came wise men from the east to Jerusalem . . .

And, lo, the star which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented him with gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

**to all our Readers, our Best Wishes for**

# A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

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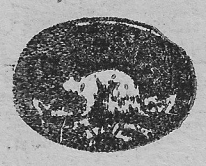

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## Elva Franchuk Now With "Lands" In Edmonton Branch

Keeping up with the Lac la Biche news is Elva Franchuk, now living in Edmonton. She has the Lac la Biche Herald mailed to her.

Elva, a graduate of Dr. Swift High School, is working in the accounting section of Lands and Forests Dept., provincial government. Her father is G. W. Franchuk who serves as police magistrate for Lac la Biche.

Before being transferred to Edmonton, Elva worked with lands and forests in Lac la Biche. A girlfriend, Vienna Stepanik, who served with the Department of Agriculture in Lac la Biche, is now in the same department in Edmonton. Elva mentioned that Sonia Sawchuk, formerly of Lac la Biche, worked in "Lands" before getting married in September and moving to Vancouver.

## Birthday Party For H. Hryneck

BAYVIEW — A birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Hryneck in honor of their daughter, Hazel. Many young people attended and enjoyed games and dancing.


Yuletide Joys

Season's Greetings to you and yours!

Christmas is a happy time. A time to spend with one's family and friends. A time to relax from one's labors for a few precious days and reflect on the joys and the sorrows, the needs and the blessings of this world.

The Mayor, Secretary-Treasurer and Members of the Council of the Town of Lac La Biche

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May happiness and joy be with you on this most festive of occasions. The management and staff of this store wish you the merriest of Christmases!

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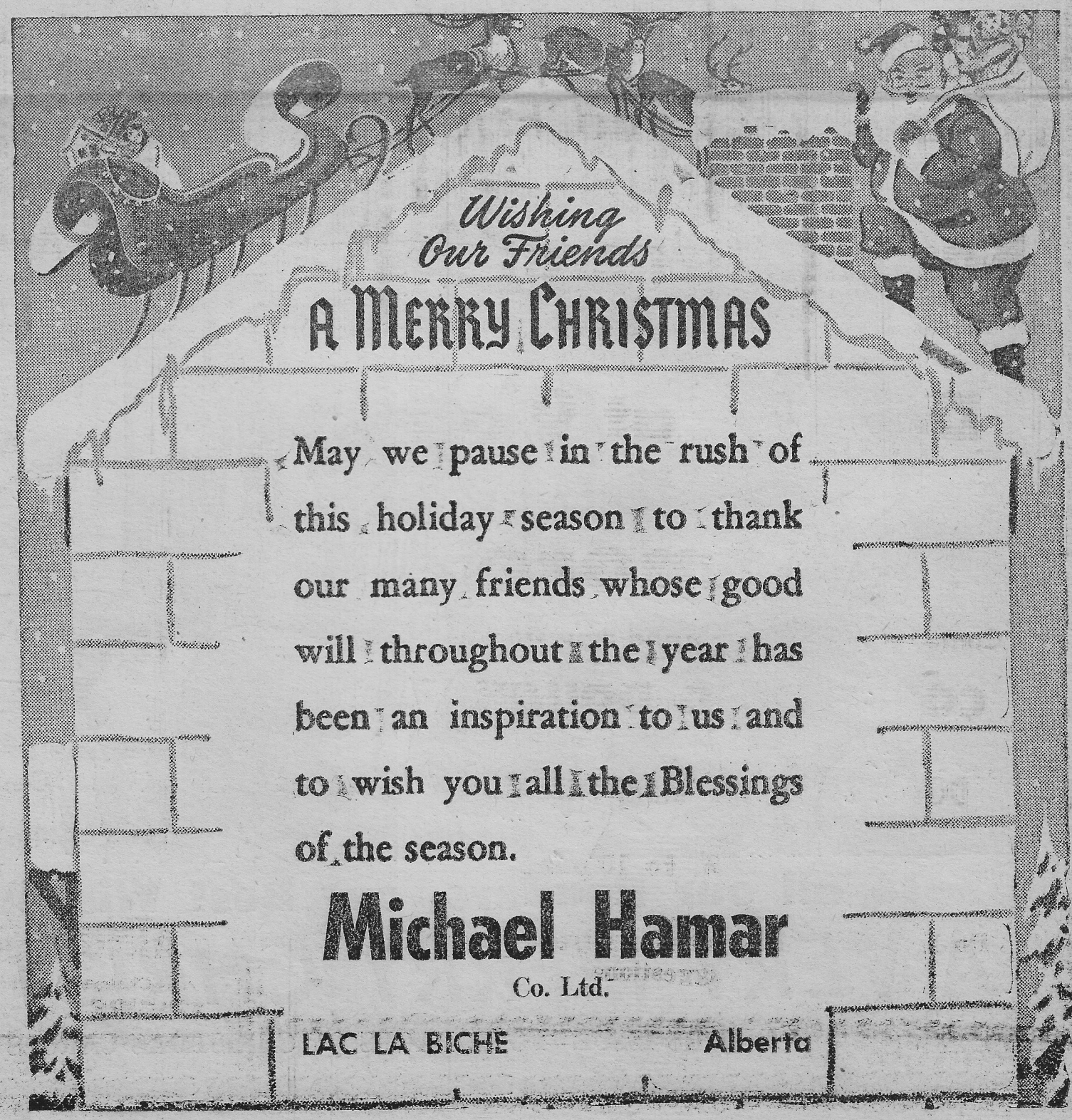

Wishing Our Friends
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May we pause in the rush of this holiday season to thank our many friends whose good will throughout the year has been an inspiration to us and to wish you all the Blessings of the season.

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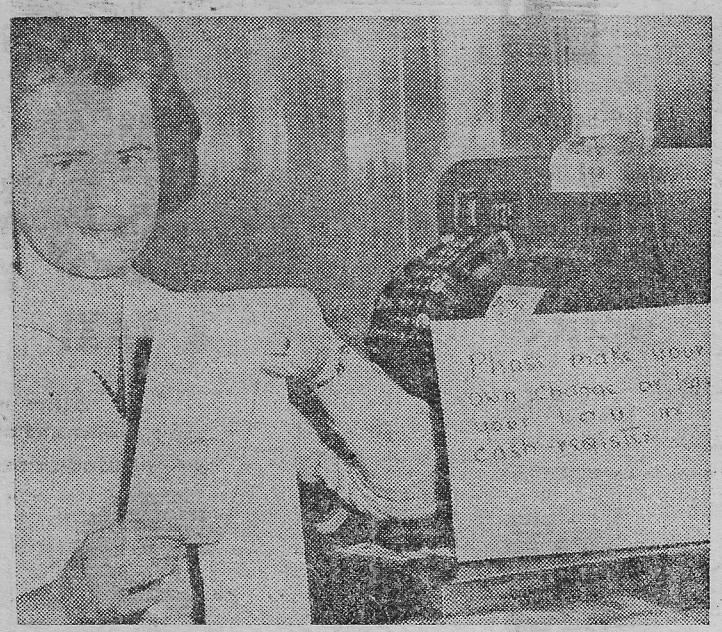
# Sandy Karpetz Opens New Store



IT IS NOT LIKELY Mr. Karpetz will go this far with his cash register, but all can be assured he will be ready to serve customers from his new store at Atmore. Here we see a picture of the till in a dairy bar in Brampton where operator Ralph McKenzie believes "if you trust somebody they are usually square with you." On Christmas and New Year's his store was left open unattended to give his staff a holiday. Receipts balanced exactly, counting the IOU's that were left by the people who could not make change.

## Sandy Karpetz Knows Store Merchandising

ATMORE — Sandy Karpetz owner, manager of the new general store in Atmore, comes to the district with a wealth of experience in merchandizing, having had a partnership in two stores and complete ownership in one before coming to Atmore.

Mr. Karpetz was born and raised in the Smoky Lake district and received his education at the North Kotzman school. Upon leaving school he worked on a farm for two years.

Mr. Karpetz's first merchandizing experience came when he entered into a partnership with Michael Ilnicki at Blue Jay, this was

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## Former Charron Merchant Opens Self-Serve In Modern Building

By Gene Hadley

ATMORE — Sandy Karpetz will open a new general store in Atmore on Saturday, December 19. The store will carry a full line of groceries, meats, fruits and vegetables, as well as a good stock of hardware and dry goods.

It will operate as a selfserve style and some time after the opening Mr. Karpetz will have push buggies.

The building is 40 by 80 feet with full basement and flat roof. It is of modern design with siding on the exterior wall's and two large windows in the front and a set-in entrance with double doors.

The interior walls are of grooved masonite, the ceiling is of gyp-roc and the floors are tiled with inlaid linoleum.

This will become another milestone in the road of progress for the district that is now advancing so rapidly. Road conditions have improved greatly in this area in the past years and as the roads open up so the business opportunities become better and surer.


Congratulations to Sandy Karpetz and Good Luck in his new premises.

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on the opening his new General Store.

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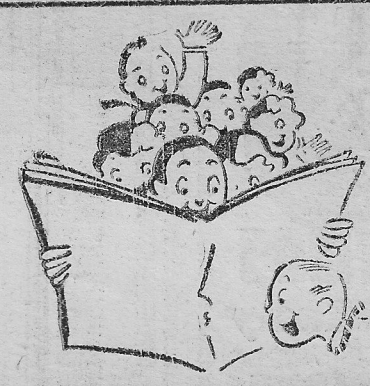

**HAVE YOU READ THE NEWS?**

Sandy Karpetz is opening a new General Store

Let's all go to the opening and wish him luck!

**ATMORE SERVICE GARAGE**

Allis-Chalmers Machinery Imperial Oil Farm Dealer

ATMORE Phone 2

## Sandy Karpetz Knows Store Merchandising

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a general store and two years later he sold out to his partner.

A second partnership this time with Frank Roskewich, terminated in one year, when Mr. Karpetz's father died and he retured to operate the home farm. After one year on the farm he bought a farm and general store of his own in Charron and has been there until his move now to Atmore. He hopes to sell all his property in Charron to give full time to his new business.

Mr. Karpetz married Miss Kay Shapka of Charron in July of 1942, and has three children, two girls and a boy.

With their congratulations the people of the district are hoping he will have a long and happy stay in Atmore.

## Spruce Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Skawronik and son Albert were visitors at Athabasca last week.

B. Zilinski of Athabasca was a recent visitor at the P. Hominiuk home.

Louis Zilinski is employed as a caterpillar driver for B. Zilinski at the lumber mill site north of Wandering River.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hominuik were recent visitors to Edmonton.

Jacob Bogdon has returned after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Luc at Plamondon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pretula were to Athabasca recently.

Jack Pretula and son Bill were to Lac la Biche last week.

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## Virginia Medwed Heads Thimbles

Recently a Grassland Girls 4-H Clothing Club was organized in the district by Home Economist, Mrs. McCutcheon.

In the club, The Grassland 4-H Nimble Thimbles, there are 13 members and four leaders. Leaders are: Mrs. M. Sworin; Mrs. O. Jenkins; Mrs. M. Duniec and Mrs. S. Luchka. The executive is: president, Virginia Medwid; secretary, Gail Karpetz; treasurer, Gladys Duniec and press correspondent, Georgia Medwid. Members of the club are Jean Jenkins, Elaine Romynshyn, Verna Jenkins, Irene Rybicki, Bonnie Semeniuk, Virginia Medwid, Jeannette Romynshyn, Gail Karpetz, Gladys Duniec, Rite Woytowicz, Victoria Bizon, Lorraine Grebowski and Georgia Medwid.

The club has had four meetings and is well underway with their sewing. Simple articles are first being made but later more difficult projects will be undertaken.

## Almost 100% At TB X-Ray Clinic

PLAMONDON — The TB X-ray clinic was, as reported by Mr. and Mrs. Fry and Mr. France who are in charge of the clinic, a real success.

Out of a possible 611 persons whose names had been given in 583 were X-rayed. This was reported as a good clinic and satisfactory. Mrs. Vic Genaud was in charge and wishes to thank all those who helped in any way to make the clinic a success.

Don't forget to purchase your TB Christmas seals. These help to cover the cost of the services we are receiving.

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December 18 - 19

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And Sincere THANKS for Your Patronage
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To Our Many Friends and Customers, to Our Employees, A MERRY CHRISTMAS! Serving You and Working With You Has Been a Pleasure!
WEST END AUTO WRECKAGE
LAC LA BICHE - ST. PAUL

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Chas. Lebas
Imperial Esso Agent
Lac La Biche Alberta

## Hospital News

Patients in St. Catherine's Hospital:

Damase Huppie, Margie; Alphonse Gregoire, Imperial Mills; Mrs. Arthur Newman, Faust; Audrey Dragon, Plamondon; Conrad Karpetz, Breynat; Wasyl Buriak, Wandering River; Mrs. Herbert Thompson, Briereville; Mrs. Onufry Gordey, Wandering River; Elizabeth Blood, Imperial Mills; Aileen Maki, Rich Lake; Orphir Cadieux, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Alice Caron, Plamondon; Theresa Joe, Caslan; Wallace Derkach, St. Paul; Mrs. Nellie Urchenko, Lac la Biche; Debbie Maul, Plamondon; Shirley Rizzoli, Lac la Biche; Guy Piquette, Yvette Richard, Plamondon; Mrs. John Bourassa, Gourin; John Fischer, Atmore; Bernard Ladouceur, Lac la Biche Mission; Mrs. Albert Girard, Egg Lake; Paulette St. Jean, Charron; Wanda Ferriere, Tweddie;

Isidore Cardinal, Big Bay; Ralph Hamelin, Lac la Biche; Bruce Zayonc, Breynat; Joyce Cloutier, Lac la Biche Mission; Mrs. Emile Gauthier, Plamondon; Albert Le Rouzic, Atmore; Laura Leach, Alvin Scott, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Emile Plamondon, Plamondon; Mrs. Albert Cardinal, Barney Arnfinson Lac la Biche; Patsy Karpetz, Breynat; Mrs. Stanley Panchuk, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Fred Woychuk, Noral; George Liddle, Briereville; Mrs. Isabelle Plamondon, Plamondon; Einar J. Einarsson, Imperial Mills; Joe Tesi, Lac la Biche; Alfred Lavallee, Kikino; Donna Lou Kravik, Rochdee Fayad, Lac la Biche; Tom Roskewich, Amesbury; Mrs. Ed Hawirko, Lac la Biche; Felix Powder, Plamondon.

Mr. and Mrs. Aristide Germain of Plamondon are proud parents of a daughter.

## Dance Postponed

Due to unfavorable harvest conditions, the dance sponsored by the Ukrainian Orthodox Churches at Grassland Nov. 20, will be held Jan. 15, 1960. Sale of tickets will continue. All your tickets will be honored Jan. 15, 1960, for the dance.

## Mrs. Garnet Named Head Ladies' Aid

The United Church Ladies' Aid held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. H. Linnell Dec. 7 with 15 ladies present.

Election of officers was held and the new officers are as follows: president, Mrs. E. Garnet; vice-president (re-elected), Mrs. J. Switzer; secretary-treasurer (re-elected), Mrs. J. Stewart; bazaar committee, Mrs. S. Munro, Mrs. S. J. Clarke, Mrs. J. Olstad; notice convener, Mrs. F. W. McMillan; publicity convener, Mrs. H. Linnell; hospital visitor, Mrs. H. Mawson; skating rink committee, Mrs. S. J. Clarke.

The Christmas party followed with interesting games and the exchange of gifts. Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. M. A. Lett.


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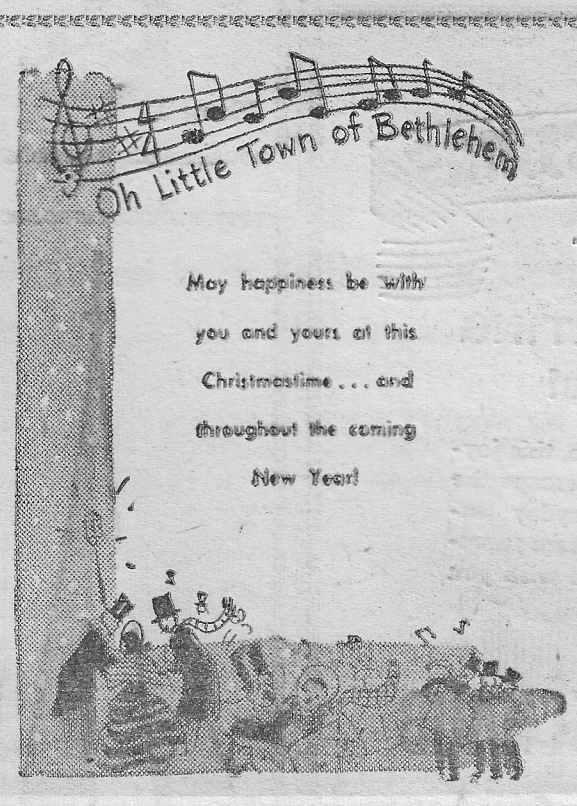
Oh Little Town of Bethlehem
May happiness be with you and yours at this Christmastime . . . and throughout the coming New Year!
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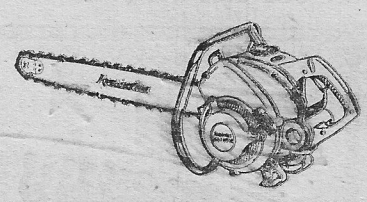
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# Lions Give Resume Of Activities At Turkey Bingo Held In Theatre

At the Lions Club annual turkey bingo held recently a resume of the Club's activities for the past year was given.

It was learned that the Club contributed a substantial sum to the Skating Rink and to the Pony League Ball teams; they have provided a sum of money to be used to purchase stage curtains for the Memorial Hall, as in former years, they assisted in cleaning up the beaches and providing recreational facilities there. They conducted a successful canvass for the Blind and they presented a gold signet ring to the honors student in Grade 9 as well as distributing hampers to several needy families.

All in all this hard working group of men, headed by E.J. Woynarowich, president, and Rev. S. L. Munro, secretary, have accomplished many worth while community projects this year.

The bingo, held in the Aurora Theatre, proved to be a successful event with 25 turkeys, weighing approximately 32 pounds each, being won by local contestants. Winners were: Mrs. Onischuk; Rene Bourke; Oscar Mueller; Father Laverte; Peter Bouchard; Mildred Fredericks; Humphrey Senetza; Raymond Rizzoli; Oscar Mueller; R. Ladouceur tied with Mrs. J. Karasinski; Paul Duperron; H. Toubin; Mrs. Hector McCormick; William Kupchenko; Simmone Langevin tied with Dennise Bourassa; Paul Bouvier; Mrs. Alex Bourassa; Mrs. Maurice Danes; Alice Socka; Alcid Richard; G. Ladouceur; Vicki Salahub; Alice Socka; Mrs. William Oshanyk; William Kupchenko; tied with Obed Langevin.

## Frains

A fair crowd attended the bingo held in the school on Dec. 5. Proceeds went to the Sarrail Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Ladies' Club.

Congratulations of the district are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Greschuk on the birth of a boy, Garry Glen.

Home for the weekend were: Mrs. Sophie Shwetz; Jean Shwetz; Hank Arken; Joyce and Uanna Hewko; Minnie Shwetz and Rose Hnachyshyn; Rae Kolach and Anne Nahrabinchyk.

Peter Letwin has left for British Columbia in search of employment.

Recent visitors to Edmonton were: Nick Mamchur, Mrs. Anne Kolach and Archy Shwetz.

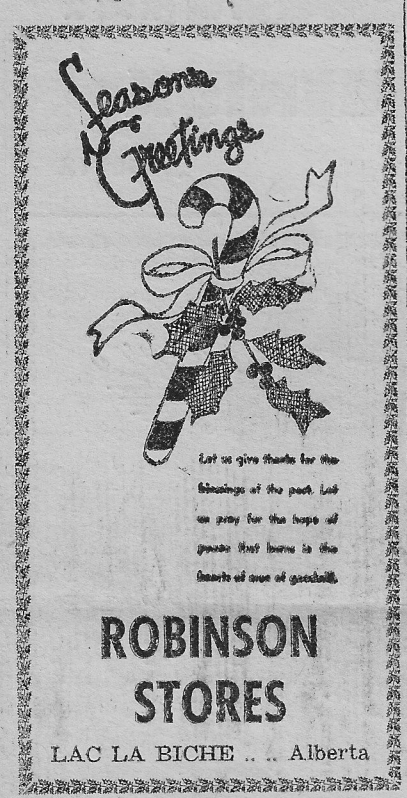
Miss Stella Shyian was a recent visitor to Edmonton.

Miss Anne Loposhinski is now employed in Edmonton.

At this happy Season we wish to express our best wishes for your Joyful Holidays, and our appreciation for your patronage.

C. M. SUTTON

Phone 1 GRASSLAND


Seasons Greetings
Let us give thanks for the blessings of the past. Let us pray for the hope of peace that burns in the hearts of men of goodwill.

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A FRIENDLY GREETING from Us to You!

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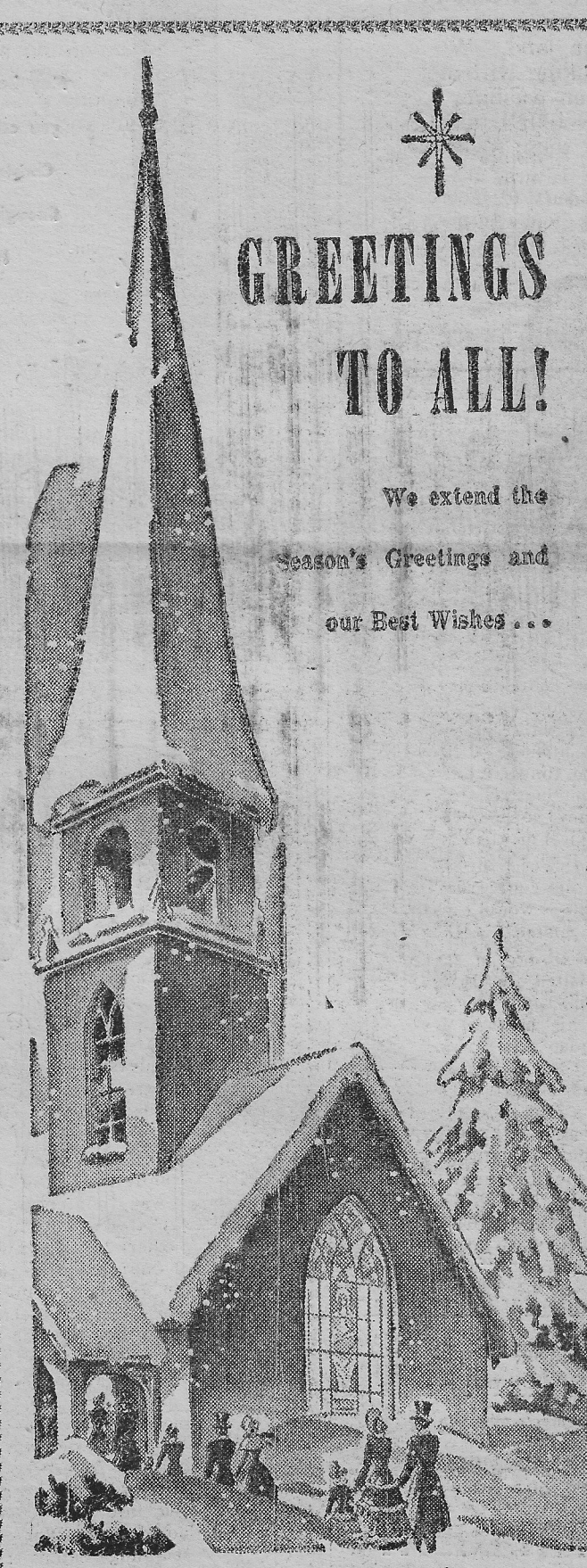


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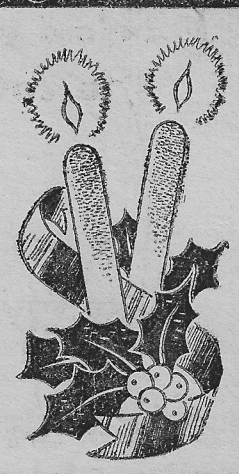

MAY HEALTH, GOOD CHEER, HAPPINESS be yours this Christmas and through The New Year

GREETINGS

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*Who's To Blame*

# Parenthood Without Hokum

By Howard Whitman

## PART 4

## *Parents And Delinquency*

"My father -- he's a beaut! He's just a lowdown so-and-so. He don't give a darn if I live or die," the boy said.

But let's start at the beginning.The boy—whom we'll call Bud—was a 17-year-old, wearing a faded purple jacket and grey denim slacks. He stopped me as I was entering the Hotel Roosevelt in New Orleans and asked for money to get something to eat.

The boy had been on the bum for three weeks, sleeping in flop houses, washing dishes or panhandling for money to buy food. He had quit high school in Chicago and struck out for Miama in hopes of "striking it rich" — as he put it — in vacation land. When this failed he started bumming and hitch-hiking with nothing but the clothes on his back. He had been washing his clothes at night but his one pair of socks wouldn't take it any longer; they gave out and he had thrown them away the day before.

Howard Whitman

Before I took him to a local family agency to get him back on the track, Bud told me his story. His mother, he said, had died three years ago— "She was the only person who ever gave a darn for men." Bud's father had divorced her three years earlier and had gone off and married another woman. So Bud was kind of an orphan, staying with grandparents and hating life for the raw deal it had given him, running away now and then to get revenge.

He was bitter when he talked of his father. With a choked and sullen voice he said, "They oughtn't to let him walk out like that. He's just for himself—looking for his own good times. What happens to me doesn't matter. He never sends any money, never even writes to find out if I'm alive."

If Bud were the next boy to turn up on your front page as a delinquent, would you wonder whom to blame?

The next day in Baton Rouge, La., I visited the Juvenile Detention Home and met Charlie, age 15, and his brother, Leonard, 16. Charlie also was a runaway—from Kansas City. He wore the blue jeans and T-shirt of the teen-ager and had a mop of sandy hair which was three weeks overdue at the barber shop. Charlie had run away to join the merchant marine and had been picked up as a vagrant.

We sat down together in the green, dadoed living room of the new detention home.

"Len and me left home because we couldn't stand it any longer," Charlie said. "All Mom cared about was card games. She played cards and bingo five and six nights a week. She even used the money Len and me made working after school."

Leonard added, "When she got mad she'd curse atus and tell us we were just in the way, that if it weren't for us she could be free and have a good time."

The boys described the professional card games to which their mother was addicted. She would pay 50 cents or a dollar for a seat at a table and then play cards until she was either broke or intoxicated with winnings, which she would take back and lose the next night.

The boy's father, as they described him, was well-intentioned but weak and unable to do anything aobut it. When their mother used the household money for her card games it was bad enough. But when she insisted they turn over the money they made working after school, they decided to light out.

**TYPICAL CASES**

Bud, Charlie and Len were living illustrations of what judges in a dozen juvenile courts had told me: that 90 per cent of the youth problem is the irresponsibility of parents.

Some judges have made strong recommendations. In Florida, the Governor's Committee on Juvenile Delinquency, meeting in Pensacola last January, heard Escambia County Judge Harvey E. Page suggest the whipping post for parents who wilfully shirk their jobs. Later Judge Page said to me:

"We've allowed too many parents to push their duties onto somebody else's shoulders. They bring children into the world, and first they want the schools to raise them, then they want the playgrounds to do the job, and finally they want the police and the courts to raise them. It can't be done. We just have to serve notice on parents that raising their children is their own job—and nobody is going to do it fr them."

Santa Rosa County Judge W. A. Bonifay, who also attended the conference, tersely stated, 'If there were a little more court at home, we judges would hold less court in the courthouse."

**COULDN'T BE BOTHERED**

At the Juvenile Court of San Francisco I was conferring in chambers with Judge Milton D. Sapiro when there was a knock on the door. A man about 35 came in, hat in hand. He was the father of a boy in one of San Francisco's kid gangs which had slashed the tires of parked cars, broken plate glass windows and stoned streetcars.

The man seemed put out he had been required tocome down to court. His attitude: this was the court's headache, why did he have to be dragged into it? After a brief discussion he left. When the door had closed Judge Sapiro, kindly and mild-mannered, leaned back on his chair and looked toward the ceiling with puzzled eyes. "I just don't understand what has gotten into parents these days" he said.

A review of some of the dominant ideas about parenthood during the past 20 years provide some possible clues. Parents were imbued with the idea that freedom was what children needed most, and any attempt to regulate it or modify it would mark the parent as unenlightened and a fuddy-duddy.

Under the influence of galloping new moods in psychology, some of our experts felt that individual parents weren't much good at rearing children anyway and it would be far better to have them reared on a community basis. The school and social agency could do a much better job, these experts said. Almost anything a parent wanted to do—out of the depths of his natural instincts or the med itations of his mind and heart—was wrong anyway.

**The New Idea**

Chastened by unhappy experience (juvenile court delinquency cases have risen 45 to 50 per cent in five years and the end is not in sight) most observers today are ready to return the job of child-rearing to the parents—and let them do it their way.

We cannot put a policeman over each boy's shoulder, nor should we ever want to. Neither can the social wroker, the probation worker, or the bright young man in the public juvenile bureau take the place of mother and father in the natural scheme of things. It is doubtful that society ever will be capable of providing public mothers and fathers where the Creator provided private and personal ones.

The modern parent may not like to think that he must be an agent of law and order with his own children. Somehow this seems to sully the notion of parental love.

Yet which is the loving way—to train your children yourself, here and now, or to leave it to the police, the sergeant in army, or the boss in the office, to do it later on? Though the job may be difficult, parents can certainly put more love into it than total strangers.

**A Critical Situation**

Wil C. Turnbladh, executive director of the National Probation and Parole Association, pinpointed the present situation in these words, "We must once again recognize that parents are the number one authority in a youngster's life. We have swung pretty far away from the notion of parental responsibility, to the notion that when a youngster does wrong it is society's fault.

"Today the situation is critical and we must get parents back on the job. We can't stand idly by and chew our nails."

Turnbladh suggested that for some parents who are wilfully negligent we might need something like Parents Anonymous to do what A. A. does for alcoholics. There even might be a "hard core" of parents who need disciplinary action, he acknowledged.

But certainly no whipping post will be necessary. In the opinion of this observer, most parents want to do the right thing. And if many have failed, it often has been because they were discouraged from doing it. All they need is a green light.

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## Lac la Biche Herald

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## WMS Group Hears Letter From Japan

LAC LA BICHE — The monthly meeting of the WMS of the Evangelical Free Church was held at the home of Mrs. Dan Goldsmith Dec. 10, with 11 ladies present.

Miss Helen Guinand gave a devotional talk on, "Christmas is a Missionary Day".

A letter was read from Leslie Crove, missionary in Japan, describing the recent typhoon which struck the area in which he and his wife live. Little damage was done just there, but he reports that some areas were suffering keenly with a million and a half inhabitants affected. Thousands were killed as the wind and water overwhelmed them, and many thousands are homeless and without adequate clothing for the winter ahead.

Roll call was answered with a favorite verse of scripture. Plans were made by the ladies to prepare treats for the Sunday School, and Christmas boxes of home baking for some elderly bachelors. A time was spent in fellowship and a lunch was served by te hostess assisted by Mrs. F. Creighton.

The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Germain Cadieux Jan. 14.

## Atmore

Many persons attended the motion picture show held in the Atmore Community hall recently. The show was about Rock 'n' Roll and the teenagers present seemed to have enjoyed it.

Ross Tucker was a business visitor to Boyle last week.

BIG APPETITE — The tinest tot enrolled in Arcadia Park, Tex., schools, Sharon Kay Burnett, 6, takes a man-sized food tray from a cafeteria worker. She is 34 inches tall.

## Ron Slutker Grades Thousands Of Pelts

Ron Slutker of Edmonton spent several days in Lac la Biche last week. He was busy with Sam Wooll, local fur buyer, in grading and pricing thousands of mink pelts.

Mr. Slutka has been in New York City for the past year. He is now associated with the firm of S. Slutker in Edmonton.

## Hylo

Lee McEachern of Edson was home for the weekend.

Paul Poholski of Edmonton was visiting his parents last weekend.

Miss Carole Keehn and her girl friend from Varsity were also visiting the former's parents last weekend.

Mike Owchar Jr. returned to Edmonton Sunday where he is employed.

## Mrs. Bouvier Hurt In Home Accident

LAC LA BICHE MISSION—Mrs Louis Bouvier cut her head and was rendered unconscious when she fell while housecleaning recently. Alone at the time, she was found unconscious by her son. Mrs. Bouvier had lost considerable blood. She was transported to the hospital where several stitches were required to close the cut in her head.

## Fedor Sorochan At Modern Hotel

Fedor Sorochan has returned to Lac la Biche from Elk Point to take over the restaurant at the York Hotel.

During the summer he worked on the "Meridian George Eskew," stern wheeler that runs between Fort Norman and Bear River Rapids.

Mr. Sorochan is in need of a good cook to work in the kitchen of this modern restaurant.

## Spruce Valley

Visitors to Athabasca last week were: Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kochon, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mahaden. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Zilinski, Lorna Zilinski and Peter Homeniuk.

Residents of the district went to Grassland to have a free chest x-ray on Saturtay, Dec. 12. The school children had their x-ray on Dec. 11.

Grace and Ernie Homeniuk of Edmonton visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Homeniuk over the weekend.

Peter Rybicki of Edson was also a weekend visitor at the Homeniuk home.

## Immediate Action On Petition Could Mean Incorporation In 1960

By T. W. Pue

PLAMONDON — Arthur Dube, president of the Chamber of Commerce, chaired a meeting last week that may result in Plamondon becoming a village by the first of the year.

A large group of residents of the hamlet met in the Pelican Hotel here to hear Mr. Durrell of the Department of Municipal Affairs. The speaker outlined conditions required to form a village, benefits and responsibilities of village incorporation. At the conclusion of the speaker's remarks, the meeting passed a resolution calling for a petition to be taken up to seek village incorporation.

At the outset, the new village would get a fair division of assets of the L.I.D. and would have the right to collect all arrears of taxes. It is estimated assessment going to the new village of Plamondon would bring, at present mill rate, about $4,000 in annual tax income.

The village would have to shoulder a minimum of $3,700 in fixed expenses such as nursing services ($330.00), Health Unit ($170.00), School Division ($2,500.00), street lights ($450.00), and hospital ($280.00).

However, the village would expect an annual government grant based on expected population of 170 persons, of $1,500 to $2,000 per year. This would assist in paying other expenses such as police, town secretary, auditor and assessor. These two latter expenses are not very large.

The Department of Municipal Affairs requires a petition signed by at least 20 ratepayers who would become voters in the new village. Then the proposal would be advertised in the local paper for two issues. If there were no valid objections, the minister would grant village status. Then a government administrator would be appointed to supervise village business and an election of councillors until the new council is prepared to take over. If a petition is sent in right away the new village could be incorporated in 1960.

The speaker pointed out that there is no need for increased taxes if a village is formed unless the people demand increased services which will have to be paid out of tax revenue. The village council will have complete control of tax collections. A new general assessment would be made.

The village could expect about $2,000 in division of assets from the L.I.D. Salary of the secretary would likely be between $360.00 and $500.00 per year. There would most likely be a volunteer fire brigade with equipment to be purchased by the vilage.

Mr. Gaudet acted as secretary of the meeting. The chairman stated that the government would like a decision on which two blocks in town should be paved, under the new 5-year government program. This resulted in a lively discussion of the two main streets. At the meeting, Robt. Piquette initiated a motion appointing Harold and Edgar Belanger a committee to outline proposed boundaries of the new village.

## Narrow Escape On Lac la Biche Ice

BAYVIEW—When Mr. and Mrs. Alex Dowhaniuk were crossing Lac la Biche en route home from their nets the ice broke beneath their tractor and trailer. The couple managed to escape from the water but the tractor is still at the bottom of the lake. The ice has been weakened by recent warm weather.


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Wednesday, December 23

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Carol Service ..... 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 24

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Carol Service ..... 11:00 p.m.

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## J. Hussynec Weds Miss P. Zapisocki

FRAINS — The Sacred Heart of Jesus, 108 Ave., 96 St., Edmonton, was the setting for a pretty wedding when Miss Petronilla Gabrielle Zapisocki became the bride of Mr. John Hussynec, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hussynec of Frains.

Mrs. Betty Hussynec, sister-in-law of the groom, was matron-of-honor. Bridesmaids were: Miss Audrey Lazinski, Miss Violet Stephenchuk and Miss Olga Broda.

Best men were Mr. Johnny Petruka, Mr. Andy Chopoidalo and Mr. Mike Kowalyk.

A reception was held in Frains at 4:00 p.m.

In the evening a dance was held in the hall. Music was supplied by the Northern Bright Stars of Lac la Biche.

## Funeral Held For District Oldtimer

LAC LA BICHE — Funeral services for a long time resident of the district, Peter Cherkas, were held from the St. Catherine's Roman Catholic Church, conducted by Rev. Fr. Veil. Burial was in the Lac la Biche Cemtery.

Mr. Cherkas, who had lived here for some 30 years, passed away in the General Hospital, Edmonton, after spending several weeks in the hospital in Lac la Biche. He is survived by one brother, Nick, of Lac la Biche; an aunt, Mrs. K. Cherkas, and several cousins including Rod Cherkas of Lac la Biche.

## Grassland

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Aleksiuk have returned home from their trip to the United States.

Mrs. John Ortiuk required attention from the county nurse for injuries received in a fall on the icy street.

The TB clinic at Grassland was well attended last Saturday.

Mary Sutton is a patient in an Edmonton hospital.

Francis Garnier has returned from Cambridge Bay for the Christmas holidays.

## South Caslan

Sympathy of the district is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Delorme on the passing of their baby.

Walter Howse of this district has returned home from his all-summer holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Anderson were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Ladouceur.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Inhoters of Lac la Biche were guests at the home of S. Cardinal in this district.

Henry Prince and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Johnson of Enilda attended the convention meeting held here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Warren were guests at the home of Joe last weekend.

Pat Bourgue has returned home from moose hunting at Edson.

John Daniels has returned home after working at Waskatenau.

John Auger is trapping at his own trapline.

Mrs. Dolphus Huppie left recently for Edmonton.

Miss M. Joe of this district is a patient in the Lac la Biche hospital.

Bob Ladouceur, Leance and Lorette Bouche of Lac la Biche are spending some time here.

## Bingo

SPRUCE GROVE — On Saturday. Dec. 5 an enjoyable evening was spent by many local residents playing bingo in the Spruce Valley hall.

Following the bingo Mr. Davadiuk gave an interesting report on his recent tour of Russia and the Ukraine. A question and answer period followed.

## Caslan

The TB x-ray clinic was in Caslan on the morning of December 7.

Glen Meyer and Willard Bury motored to Vegreville on a combined business and pleasure trip.

Mrs. William Giblak was a recent visitor in Edmonton.

Robert Raitt was in Edmonton to visit his wife who is a patient in a hospital.

Mervin Henson motored from Edmonton and spent last weekend at the home of his parents.

Miss Olga Kovaluk and Lawrence Henson accompanied Victor Strembitsky to Edmonton last Saturday.

Elvina Powder arrived from Redwater and is visiting at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson accompanied Bill Gordey to Edmonton recently.

## Plamondon

Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Piquette spent the week in Edmonton attending the Farmers Union of Alberta convention.

T. W. Pue spent a day around Plamondon on business.

Mr. Jones, welfare worker with the Athabasca health unit, was seen around town on business.

The regular monthly board of trade meeting was held in the club room of the Pelican Hotel and was well attended.

News has been received that William Plamondon is progressing well in an Edmonton Hospital.

## Helina

Steve Onciul made a business trip to Edmonton recently.

George Cozicar and M. Bobocel of Vilna were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Onciul.

Elaine Erwin was a patient in the Lac la Biche hospital.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Onciul were Mr. and Mrs. Homeniuk of Mundare, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Semeniuk and Mike Mihalcheon. of Hairy Hill.

Commercial fishing opened on Fork Lake on December 1.

## South Hylo

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Sawchuk attended the wedding of Grace Jarema in Smoky Lake on Dec. 13.

Andy Guinand has finished sawing lumber for farmers here and plans to sell his mill.

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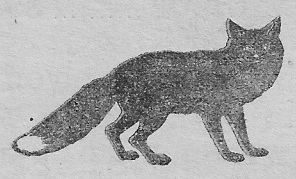

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MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

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# Christmas Decorations

By ELLEN JASTRZEBSKI

With the holiday season around the corner, it is time to consider what type of decorations you will make in your house to give it that "Christmas" touch and flavor. There are many simple decorations which can be made with common household articles that are both inexpensive and attractive. I would like to pass on a few hints that can aid in curbing the Christmas expenditures as well as provide an absorbing pastime for some hours.

When the tree is brought in, it is almost always necessary to chop off quite a few boughs from the bottom. Take two good-sized branches and criss-cross them at the bottom, using Scotch tape to hold them together. Then cut a generous length of either red or green ribbon, at least ½" wide, from a bow and tie the boughs with it. Tack one of these over each doorway in the house.

**WREATHS**

Wreaths may be made cheaply from aluminum foil. From a single roll of foil you can, in a minimum of time, fashion a wreath that surpasses one costing several dollars. To make a gleaming wreath anywhere from 6 inches to 6 feet in diameter, simply crumple aluminum foil into the desired shape. This may serve as a display holder for hanging your Christmas cards on, or you may add a few touches and put it over the window or doorway. The latter may be done by pasting on small sprigs or shoots all around the wreath. Add some tinsel or "angel hair", tie to it a generous-sized bow (preferably red) and presto! You have a dazzling wreath.

Variations for decoration of the wreath include additions of lollipops or jelly beans, attached to the boughs, or trimming the wreath with tiny bows (made with ¼" ribbon) tied on with fine wire. If they are obtainable, cones are also eye-catching in a wreath.

Aluminum foil may be also used to make light reflectors in the shape of stars or bells. Silvery bells are shaped by pressing foil over an inverted jelly glass, and crimpling the bottom edge. Punch holes on top to put the string through or, if you like, insert tree lights into the bells as clappers.

For the star-shaped reflector, mould foil over a cookie cutter or some other star-shaped object. Besides adding zest to the tree, these can be used around the doorway or windows to add sparkling color.

Remember that aluminum foil is weatherproof. Thus, decorations of this type make duel-purpose decorations, in addition to being easy and economical and have the quality of being usable indoors as well as outdoors, providing that the other materials used with them are also weatherproof.

For the nimble-fingered artists who are handy with the crayon, a cluster of merry paper cup bells are simple to make. Using your imagination, decorate five or six small paper cups. Decorations may be drawn on a sheet of plain paper and then pasted to the cup, or they may be drawn directly on the cup. String a bell unto a ribbon and thread ribbon through the bottom of the decorated cup. Vary the lengths of ribbon to achieve a graduated effect when the bells are strung together. Tie the ends of ribbon together to form a cluster, and hang over your doorway. They'll jingle merrily in announcement of all Yuletide guests.

Another attractive paper cup ornament can be made by slitting a large paper cup, vertically, to about ¾" from the bottom. Make these slits all around the cup, about 1" apart. Fold the strips and bend them to make a sunburst. Color or paint the strips darkly. Two or three sunbursts of contrasting colors make a lovely display over the door.

**STAINED WINDOWS**

Paper-stained windows add to the general attractiveness of your outdoor Christmas decor.

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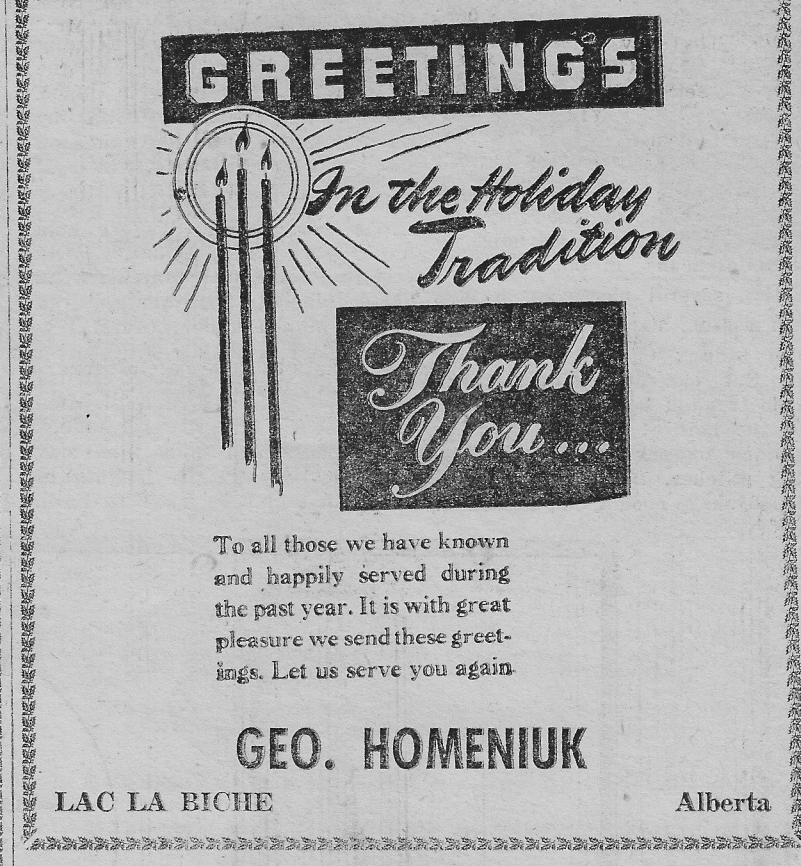


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# THE Homemaker

By BERTHA M. McCUTCHEON

Fur from an old coat in cupboard or trunk can bring new fashion to a dress or hat, says Mrs. Joan Vanterpool, Clothing Specialist, Extension Branch of the Alberta Dept. of Agriculture.

B. McCutcheon

To make a collar, select a regular tissue paper pattern. Trim the seam allowance. Then lay pattern on the skin side of the fur. Be sure all hairs go in one direction. cutting several pieces for a pattern section. Mark the cutting line with tailor's chalk or soft pencil. Cut carefully with a razor blade through the pelt only. Don't cut the hair of the fur. Sew the sections together with tiny shipping stitches. Use strong waxed thread, sharp needle, and a thimble. Try not to catch the hairs in the seam, just sew the plet. If hairs should get caught, turn the fur to the right side and work hair out with needle point. To flatten the seam, nail or pin the collar to a board with the fur down. Then moisten the leather side. Do not remove until dry.

To tape the edges and to back fur, hold pelt-side up and toward you. Whip tape along the outer edge. Then turn the tape over to the inside, catch - stitching it to a piece of felt or other padding. To attach a fur collar, slip-stitch the taped edge to the garment section and add a line of running stitches on the roll edge of the undercollar to hold it in place. Line a detachable fur collar by turning under seam allowance on lining and slip?stitching it to tape.

### WOOD FOR THE TAKING

Basements and attics are gold mines for the imaginative. Old furniture sometimes contains wood of an unusually good quality, even though hidden under several layers of paint. A liquid paint remover and a new coat of paint or varnish will work wonders with a forgotten chair, a chest of drawers or a table.

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## Calves Vaccinated At Spruce Valley

SPRUCE VALLEY — H. J. Hill, veterinarian, assisted by John Trela, vaccinated heifer calves for Bangs disease under the Federal Provincial Brucellosis Control Program, Dec. 14.

## Clippers Shatter Unbeaten Streak

HYLO — On Dec. 1 the Lac la Biche Clippers defeated the Hylo Rockets 6-3 in an evening game. The Clippers got off to a good start and held the lead through the game. Scoring for the Clippers were G. Macormick, 2; J. Macormick, 2; D. Michetti, 1; O. Franchuk, 1.

Rocket goal-getters were R. Meardi, L. Meardi and D. Lozinski.

In a high scoring game on Dec. 4 the Hylo Rockets downed the Lac la Biche Elks 14-13. The three periods ended with the score reading 3-3, 8-8 and 13-13. After nine minutes of overtime Lozinski fired one goal off Elk defenceman E. Lebas's skate, which passed bewildered goalkeeper B. Cherkas. Rocket scoring was done by the power line of Lozinski with 7; Owchar 5; and L. Meardi 2.

Elk scoring was done by A. Southwick 4; A. Michetti 3; V. Michetti 2; J. Stewart 2; E. Boucher and E. Lebas, one each.

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One reason that reading is such a chore is because so many writers have so little to say.

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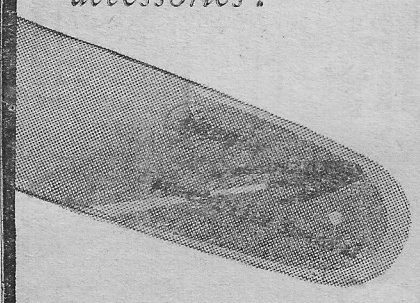

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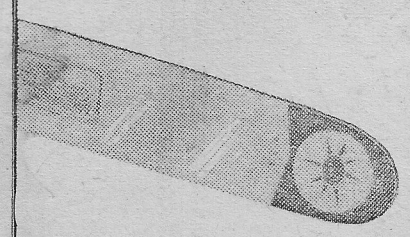

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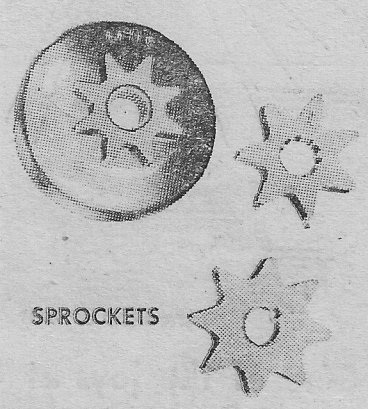

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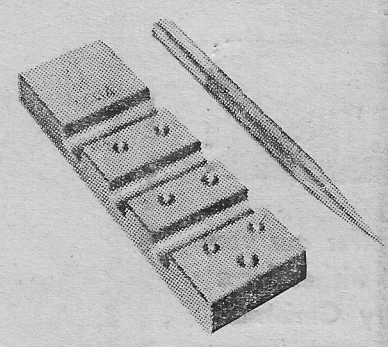

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## Lac La Biche

Miss Vivian Brown of Victoria, B. C., became the bride of Martin Klein, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein of Lac la Biche recently. The wedding took place in Grande Prairie where the happy young couple will reside.

Miss Audry Bronson, RN of Red Deer, has joined the staff of the Athabasca Health Unit and is stationed here. Miss Bronson is a graduate of the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton.

Jimmy Mreid, who has been hospitalized here for several weeks, has now been transferred to the University hospital where he is receiving physiotherapy treatments.

Lucille Tatum spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Klein of Grande Prairie are happy over the arrival of their son. Patrick Michael.

Mrs. Lucy Richard, who is spending the winter with her daughter Denise in Edmonton, was home for a few days visiting her family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fyith, Mrs. M. Taha, Albert, Joe and Y. A. Fyith recently returned from Vancouver where they spent several days. They report an enjoyable trip by train, and perfect weather in the coast city.

George Coutney, who has been employed at Uranium City, Sask., returned home for the holidays the end of the week.

Orville Franchuk spent the week end in Edmonton with relatives.

A successful hunting trip to the Breton area west of Drayton Valley was enjoyed by several local and district men. Those in the party included William and Frank Lefebvre. Pete Filedeichuk and son Eli, and Harry Kirelchuk, all of Venice, Fred Guerra and Leo Gargus of Lac la Biche.

## J. Yurkiw Shows Holiday Pictures

HYLO — A social evening was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lozinski on Dec. 6 where J. Yurkiw gave more information on the European tour.

Many questions were answered and numerous pictures of all the interesting places were shown. After everyone admired the different kinds of souvenirs that Mr. Yurkiw brought back, tasty sandwiches, assorted cakes and coffee were served by the hostess which concluded an enjoyable evening.

## Rich Lake

A large crowd attended the postponed show sponsored by the United Church Ladies Aid. The main feature was "The Yearling."

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Krimpula, Arthur and Ralph motored to Daysland and vicinity over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mulyk and son motored to Bellis on Saturday to attend a farewell party for Mrs. Mulyk's parents.


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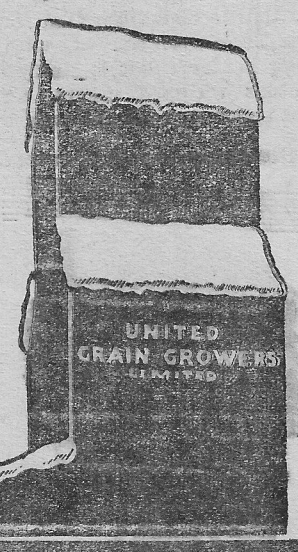


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# Christmas Decorations

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ture with olive or salad oil. Tack or tape the sheet to a window with the design facing outside. Place a light (candle or tree light) behind it and the picture will have a translucent glow, similar to a stained glass window.

Another way of obtaining the same stained glass effect is to melt crayon shavings onto heavy waxed paper. However, first grate the scraps of crayon.

Scatter the shavings in groups of colors, either in a planned way or freely, on a strip of waxed paper. Place another piece of waxed paper over the shavings. Glide a warm iron over these to melt the crayon. The crayons will melt to form unusual designs and patterns, causing the two sheets of paper to adhere to each other. If tall panels of these are hung in the windows, a cathedral-effect is the result.

**CANDLES**

Fancy candles, in spite of their beauty, are easy to make. For molds, an unlimited number of common household items may be used. Some examples are juice concentrate cans, milk cartons and glasses. Heavy pieces of cord make good wicks. Punch a hole through the bottom of your mold and run the cold through it.

To make the candles, melt paraffin in a double boiler. Color the candles with all-purpose dye. When we made candles at our home last year, we found that approximately 1 tsp. of dye for each pound of paraffin will give a delicate, light shade, while 2 to 2 1/3 tsp. will give a bright color. Remove from heat and stir paraffin for a few minutes.

Pour melted wax into the mold. Then after the wax has set, the candles may be unmolded. If using cardboard mold, simply peel it off. If using a metal mold, the candle will come out easily if the mold is dipped quickly into boiling water.

To decorate the candles, save a little of the original colored wax. Allow this to cool till a film forms on top. Then whip the wax with an old egg beater till it is fluffy and resembles whipped cream. Using an old spoon, spread the wax over the candle in a hap-hazard manner. While wax is still moist and warm, apply your decorations. You may decorate the candles employing use of imagination, or in any way you like. The candles look well when a seal is applied to the bottom and the top is sprinkled with gold or multi-colored glitter. Another suggestion is the use of sequins.

**TABLE CENTRE**

If you are looking for a nice, but inexpensive table centerpiece, here is the one we use.

Arrange four small lumps of soft coal (size of walnuts to size of small eggs) flower-fashion in a glass bowl. Over the coal, pour two tablespoons each of water, salt, and liquid bluing. Let remain overnight and the next day, add two tablespoons each of salt and water. Allow to stand at least three hours before adding a few drops of food coloring. Yellow will produce green shades, and red will result in violet tones.

Place this bowl on a mirror and surround with a few evergreen sprigs. For an extra touch, add four tall, splendor candles—one for each corner of the mirror.

Another centrepiece involving use of a glass bowl, vessel, or suitably shaped jar is as follows:

Fill the container ¾ full of water. Add vegetable coloring to obtain the shade you desire (red, green, yellow, etc.). Add one tablespoon citric acid and 1½ teaspoons baking soda. Drop into this solution a few mothballs. The mothballs will bob up and down to give a dancing effect. (Although it may also be used as a table centrepiece, at our home we like to make several containers of this solution and place it in the windows. It harmonizes nicely with the stained-glass windows to produce a lovely view from the outside.)

These are but a few examples that illustrate what you can do with ingenuity and imagination. If you are ambitious enough, you will find numberless possibilities and methods of all sorts in making your own decorations this year. In addition to being cheap and easy to make these decorations are personal and distinctive, giving that "different" touch, which is hard to equal.

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## *Those Christmas and New Years bells you hear have ancient lineage— They are broadcasters as old as civilization*

*HEAR the sledges with the bells—*
*Silver bells!*
*What a world of merriment their melody foretells!*
*How they tinkle, tinkle, tinkle,*
*In the icy air of night!*

AS THIS quotation indicates, Edgar Allan Poe was another of the poets who wrote ringing tributes to what, next perhaps to the drum and horn, is man's oldest broadcasting instrument. Poe was inspired by the harness bells of horses or oxen that drew the freight sledges and passenger sleighs over snowy roads of early America—the same tintinnabulations that inspired John Pierpont's memorable "Jingle Bells."

The bells were not on sledges or sleighs for merriment, but for safety. Sleighs were silent vehicles and fast ones, which their drivers often found the greatest difficulty in stopping. Furthermore, everyone wore earmuffs, so that winter pedestrians were practically deaf. Just as lights and horns are now required on the highway, continuously jangling bells were once a "must" for winter traffic.

East Hampton, Conn., was formerly known as Jingletown, the sleighbell capital of America. There America's first globe-type sleighbells were made, and they eventually found a market throughout the world. They were sold by the barrel for use on straps and various kinds of holders on sleighs.

The jingle-jangle of bells on conveyances was of very ancient origin. From the earliest ages of civilization the bell has had utilitarian as well as ceremonial use. Archeological discoveries have made it apparent that the bell was known to ancient inhabitants of Egypt, Assyria, Etruria, China and India.

It is well known that in Old Testament times the dress of the high priest was adorned with "bells of gold"; that when Aaron disappeared from the sight of the worshippers within the veil of the temple, the ringing of the bells upon his robe might be an intimation to them that he was still living in the Divine presence. Again, in Zechariah xiv. 20, there is mention of bells as forming part of the harness or decoration of horses. It has been suggested that Tubal-cain, the sixth in descent from Adam, "an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron," might have scooped the sounding metal into some species of bells.

The Greeks and Romans seem to have derived their knowledge of bells from the Egyptians, those early colonizers of Europe. Aeschylus and Euripides wrote that the Greek warriors had small bells concealed within the hollows of their shields; and that when the captains went their rounds at the camp at night, each sentry was required to ring his bell, in order to show that he was awake and watchful at his post.

In the triumphal entries of conquerors bells also played important parts. They were hung as emblems and ornaments on the car of the warrior—as on that which conveyed the body of Alexander from Babylon to Egypt.

Bells or chimes were in use anciently in the Greek islands to announce the opening of the markets, even as now; they were employed, as we learn from Plutarch, to detect and prevent the escape of the unhappy Xanthians. When the city of Xanthus was besieged, some of the inhabitants tried to escape by swimming and diving through the river, but nets with small bells attached were spread across the stream under the water, and by the ringing of the bells each capture was announced.

Bells came, too, in time, to be regarded as the messengers of sorrow as well as of joy and triumph. The criminal had a bell suspended from his neck as he was led away to execution, and its sound announced his speedy death as he walked sadly in his own funeral procession.

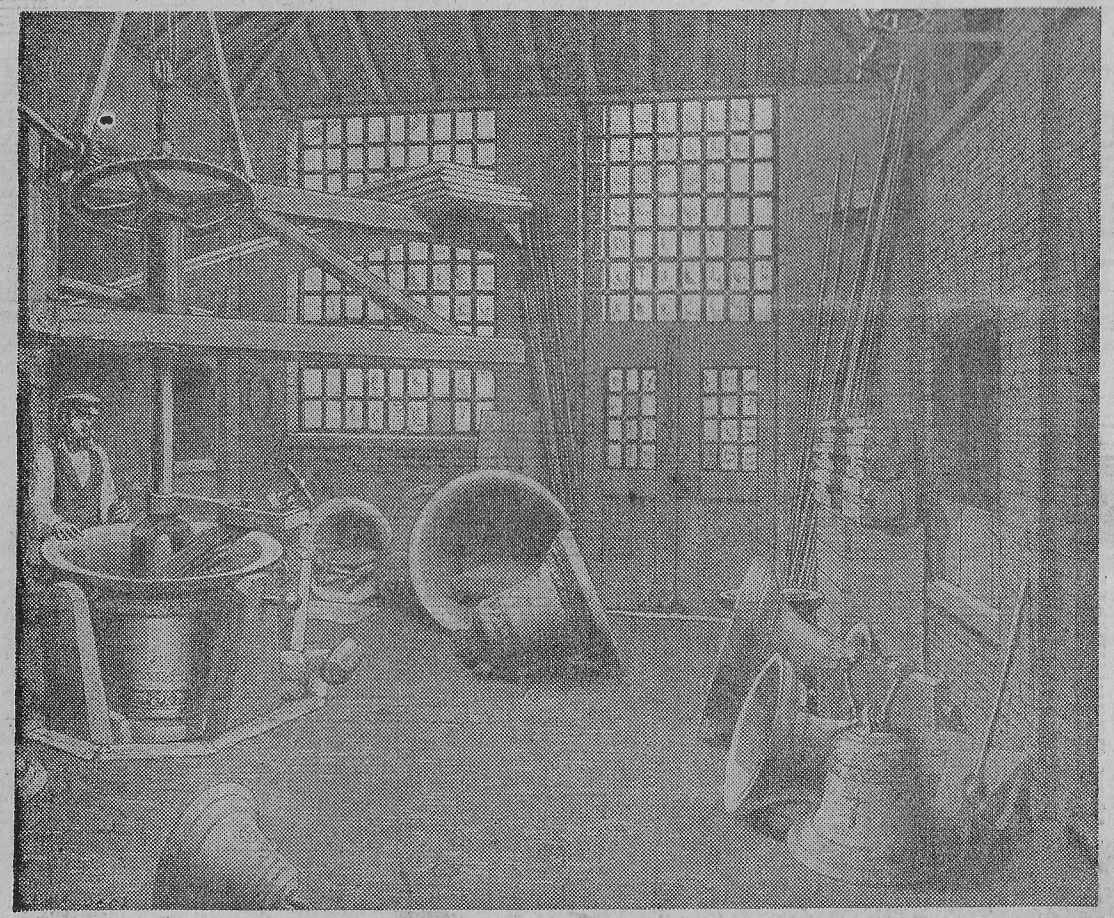
The period when large bells first began to be used in Christian churches in the Roman empire is uncertain, but by the seventh century they were in pretty general use. Their introduction has been variously assigned to Paulinus, bishop of Nola, a town of Campania, in Italy, in the year of our Lord, 400; to Pope Sabinianus (A. D. 604); and others.

It is certain that in the Middle Ages the church bell had much to do. It pealed out to announce christenings and weddings, it signalled the excommunication of the disobedient and the infidel, and, finally, tolled the death of the church member.

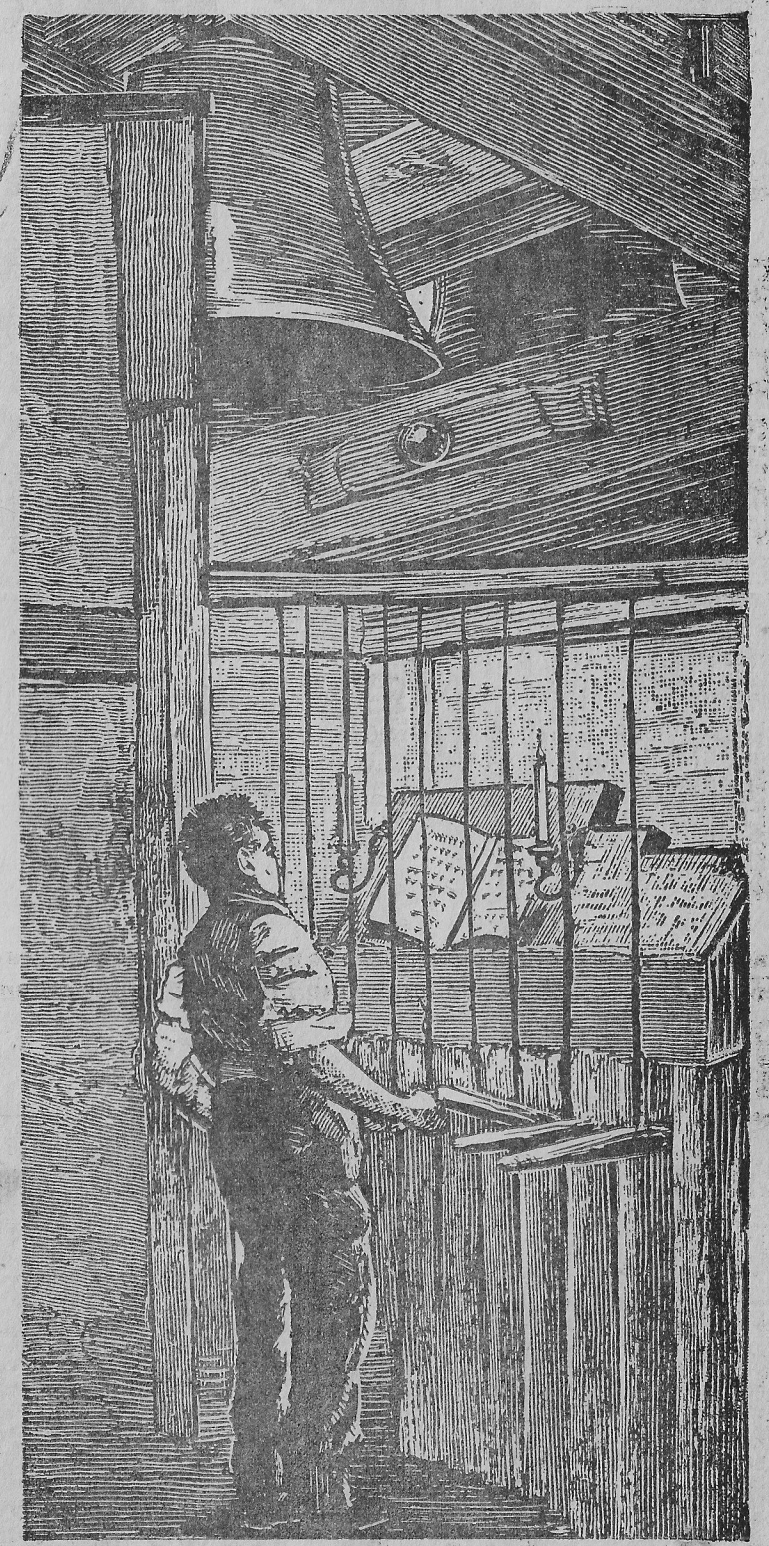
The Complin bell it was which summoned the people to the last religious service of the day. The Sanctus bell was formerly hung in a small turret outside the church, as may still be seen in old churches; it is now simply a small hand-bell, which is rung during the service of the mass.

Everybody has heard of the Couvre feu (cover fire) or Curfew Bell, which was introduced into England from France by William the Conqueror. At eight o'clock in the evening it rang out its evening peal, and at the last stroke of the hammer on the metal, all lights were ordered to be put out and fires covered.

Because of the importance of the bell in every phase of daily life, and the knowledge required to produce a good bell or carillons, the bell-founder was one of the highest rated of all artist-craftsmen. The family name Bell is derived from the honored craft.



**Century-old woodcut of a bell foundry in England. At this stage the bell was being tuned. The pitch formerly depended both on the alloy of copper and tin used in casting, and shape and size given the bell by the designer and artisans.**



**Christmas carillonneur at his ringing-case—a 19th century drawing. Carillons, or tuned sets of bells capable of producing musical themes, are of 17th century Dutch origin. (From N. Y. Public Library)**

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## Lac la Biche Mission

Germain Routhier was a recent Sunday visitor at her home here.

Louis Ulliac and sons from Atmore were business visitors in the district recently.

Henry Cloutier has moved his house close to the Mission.

J. Bellrose was here recently to take his children to Edmonton.

Reni and Hilaire Ladouceur attended the fur auction sale at Edmonton but decided to ship their mink pelts to the New York sale.

Miss L. Parrento spent the weekend here.

Bernice Ladouceur has accepted a situation at Joe's Coffee Shop at Lac la Biche.

Rev. Fr. Levert made a business trip to Edmonton recently.

The first to cross the lake this year was George Cloutier with his tractor and combine.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Bouvier are spending a time in the district to help the former's brother.

Laurent Bouvier was a recent week end viistor here.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tardiff of Bonnyville visited relatives here recently.

August Tremblay and family travelled from Boyle to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Tremblay.

T. W. Pue of Edmonton was a recent business visitor here.

Elmer Ladouceur of Drayton Valley was the guest of his parents for a few days.

## Record Fish

LAC LA BICHE MISSION — Charlie Boucher recently caught a pickerel which weighed eleven lbs. The monster fish was bought by the Northern Hardware manager.

DESERTED — Mrs. Robert E. Webster of Cleveland, Ohio, waits in vain for her husband's return from Russia. A plastics engineer, Webster gave up his U.S. citizenship to remain in the Soviet Union after working at the American exhibit in Moscow. He leaves two children behind with his wife.

## Fishing News

LAC LA BICHE MISSION —The lake is now open for whitefish and fishermen are gathering from various districts. Among these were noted Alex Belcourt and son from Edmonton.

The fishermen are disappointed because the lake is dangerous. The ice breaks easily following the recent temperatures of 40 degrees.

Several trucks have gone into the water but no drownings have been reported.

You are what you think you are.

## DOT Takes Over Radio Control

EDMONTON — Control of the Northwest Territories and Yukon radio station at Beverlodge, Sask., has passed from the Canadian Army to the department of transport, the army's Western Command announced.

The Signals Corps opened the station in 1949 to provide radio telegraph service to mining and exploration companies in the area near Uranium City in Northwestern Saskatchewan. Commercial service also was provided.

Only four of the 22 stations in the Territories now remain under army control. They are at Mayo and Dawson, Y.T. and Resolution and Port Radium, N.W.T.

History reveals that churches and states have always struggled for control of peoples.

## $810 Paid For Hereford Bull

LETHBRIDGE—Top price at the ninth annual Lethbridge fall sale of purebred cattle was the $810 paid for a Hereford bull.

The bull, Exelsior Std. Lad 23N No. 597913, born in 1958, was purchased from Ray S. Powlesland of Del Bonita, Alta., by Henry Bakstad, of Orion, Alta.

A total of 121 Hereford bulls and females were sold for $36,785. Average price per animal was $304.

This compares with 92 animals sold in the 1958 sale for $45,915. Average price per animal last year was $500. The top Hereford bull in the 1958 sale brought a price of $935.

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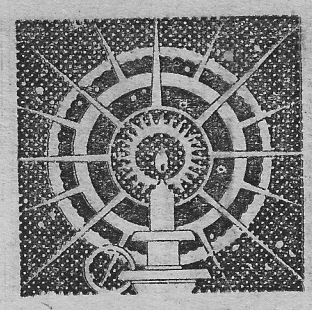

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Although the year has been one of the worst we ever had, and many crops are still out in the field, let that not interfere with your spirit of Christmas.

Remember that there is a silver lining in every dark cloud. May your Christmas be merry and your New Year happy and prosperous.

Thanks to you all for your wonderful co-operation.

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